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If no, reasons are as follows:

Approved Yes No

Student credit hours NA

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PROGRAM Req. CHANGE

Adrian Tinsley

Signature, Executive Vice-President/Provost

Registrar

Approved course description received _____
Date

Hegis Taxonomy and Course Number assigned NA.

Signature, Registrar

Date

Notification forwarded:

- Senate Curriculum Committee Chairperson
- Department Chairperson(s)
- Academic Deans
- Registrar
- Sponsor(s)

School of Business Administration

Proposal for Curriculum Change
in
General Education Requirements

1. Details

- a. Title: Curriculum Change in School of Business General Education Requirements
- b. Sponsors: School of Business Administration, Robert D. Lynch, Diane Hamilton
- c. Scope: In the present General Education requirements "Intro to Computer Science" is a required course in the Math & Science area. It is proposed that this course be replaced by "~~Intro to~~ Computer Literacy."
- d. Relationship to the Curriculum: A required course in General Education and a listed prerequisite for some business courses.
- e. Suggested time of Implementation: Fall, 1989

2. Rationale: There have been many questions raised about the value of "Intro to Computer Science" as a required course in the business curriculum since it is essentially a programming course in BASIC. Originally it was intended that this would be a course to introduce the business student to basic computer concepts as well as to programming, which was thought to be an essential need of the business student. This was over ten years ago, prior to the age of the microcomputer. It is apparent today that the business student, except for those specializing in Management Information Systems, has only a limited need for programming skills but should have extensive exposure to application programs and good skills in the use of the popular programs which are introduced in the course "Intro to Computer Literacy."

Most students entering the business program already have taken a programming course in high school providing some basic skills in this area.

3. Consultation: The Math & Computer Science Department has been consulted and expressed agreement with this change.